

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Ashley

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Examiner: Dinh, Minh

For: **Method and system for automatic adjustment of entitlements in a distributed data processing environment**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This paper is submitted in response to the Office action mailed October 17, 2008. Because January 19th and January 20th were federal holidays, this paper is a timely response to the Office action (and no extension of time is required).

Reconsideration and favorable action are respectfully requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the following paragraphs in the written description as follows with the marked-up version of the paragraph, wherein the strikethrough text demarcates deleted text and the underlined text demarcates added text: